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FOR THE AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: XGDS 1

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SUBJECT: HOUSE INVESTIGATION OF AGENTS FEE FOR P.L. 480
SHIPMENTS TO BANGLADESH

1. FOR YOUR BACKGROUND INFORMATION, THE HOUSE COMMITTEE
ON STANDARDS OF CONDUCT HAS REQUESTED US TO DECLASSIFY TWO
DOCUMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH A PUBLIC HEARING HELD ON
APRIL 11, RELATING TO FORMER CONGRESSMAN OTTO PASSMAN. THE
DOCUMENTS ARE DACCA TELEGRAM 3289, (1975) AND ARCHARD/ISLAM
MEMCON POUCHED TO YOU AS ENCLOSURE TO COON LETTER DATED
MARCH 14.

2. AFTER DISCUSSING THE FOREIGN POLICY SENSITIVITY OF THIS
MATTER AT CONSIDERABLE LENGTH WITH COMMITTEE STAFFERS, WE
AGREED TO DECLASSIFY THE EMBASSY TELEGRAM WITH DELETION
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OF ALL REFERENCES IDENTIFYING THE OFFICIAL INVOLVED. ON
MEMCON, WE AGREED TO DECLASSIFY THIRD AND FOURTH PARAS WITH
DELETION OF SOURCE NAME, AND NAMES AND OTHER REFERENCES
WHICH IDENTIFY COUNTRY INVOLVED.

3. THE DOCUMENTS WERE INTRODUCED INTO THE RECORD ON MARCH
11 IN SUCH A WAY AS TO MAKE IT FAIRLY CLEAR THAT THE MEMCON

RELATED TO BANGLADESH.

4. WE ARE HOPEFUL THAT OUR EFFORTS TO COOPERATE WITH THE
COMMITTEE WILL MINIMIZE THE POSSIBILITY OF PUBLICITY
DAMAGING TO OUR RELATIONS WITH BANGLADESH. WE WILL INFORM
YOU OF ANY FURTHER DEVELOPMENTS. VANCE

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